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Many thanks for your orders and letters during the past year. We will be pleased to serve you to the best of our ability again this season.

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## **OUR GUARANTEE . . .**

We guarantee our roots to be true to name and of highest quality. If stock is not satisfactory when received, return same within three weeks and replacement will be made or your money will be refunded, as you request. Because of conditions beyond our control, we cannot be responsible for growing failures after stock is planted.

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## **VISITORS WELCOME . . .**

Our show gardens are located on the corner of Walker Road and Three Mile Road, two and one-quarter miles north of the West Leonard St. city limits of Grand Rapids. Call and get acquainted.

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## **CLASSIFICATION OF DAHLIAS**

FD - Formal Decorative; ID - Informal Decorative; IC - Incurved Cactus; StC - Straight Cactus; SC - Semi-cactus; Peo - Peony; Ba - Ball; Pom - Pom Pons; Min - Miniatures.

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## **PLANTING SUGGESTIONS . . .**

Roots should be planted in trenches or holes four inches deep in heavy soil and six inches deep in sandy soil. The roots should be laid down flat (not on end) and covered with two inches of soil. As the plant develops, more soil should be added. Where drainage is poor, roots should not be planted this deep and a furrow should be kept open between rows to facilitate drainage in wet weather. The ground should be dry and warm in the spring before plantings are begun.

# ROLL OF HONOR DAHLIAS FOR 1956

AGLOW, ID — Soft apricot heavily suffused scarlet, with a golden sheen over all .....	\$1.25
AGNES E. JAMES, StC — Bright persimmon orange.....	\$1.50
AILSA BELLE, ID — Raspberry red.....	50c
ALICIA SCHRAFFT, SC — A lovely true deep pink.....	\$1.00
ALL AMERICAN, SC — Rose suffused salmon.....	75c
ALLWAYS, StC — A new Camelia rose.....	\$1.25
ARELDA LLOYD, ID — Soft yellow, flushed pink.....	50c
ARISTOS, IC — Velvety violet red, tipped white .....	\$1.00
ARTHUR GODFREY, FD — A beautiful orient red with orange or buff shadings.....	\$1.00
AUTUMN GLOW, SC — Sulphur yellow overcast mallow rose.....	\$2.00
B & B, FD — Lavender with good depth and full center...	\$1.00
BEAUTIFUL LADY, FD — Lemon yellow.....	75c
BESS SMITH, ID — Pure, pure white .....	\$1.00
BEST OF ALL, SC — Red with reverse of deep purple red....	75c
BLACK MONARCH, SC — A very dark oxblood red.....	\$ .80
BLACK NARCISSUS, StC — A velvety dark red.....	\$2.00
BROOKLYN CORALIE, IC — Pink shading to primrose at center .....	\$1.00
BURCH FORAKER, ID — Yellow overcast scarlet.....	85c
CHARLES L. MASTICK, FD — Deep apricot .....	65c
CHARLOTTE CALDWELL, Ba — Orange shaded terra cotta....	50c
CLARIAM KELTON, ID — Flame red with yellow reverse.....	85c
CLARIAM LURAY, FD — Lovely pink with each petal striped lighter .....	\$3.00
COLIN KELLY, JR., ID — Phlox pink.....	85c
CONSUL H. PU VOGEL, ID — Beautiful white.....	85c
CROYDON SUPREME, ID — Clear medium yellow.....	\$ .85
DAVE PLATT, FD — White with flush of pink at center....	40c
DELMARVA, ID — Orange with red shadings.....	65c
DIRECTOR M. A. HOWE, FD — Tyrian pink to cerise.....	75c
DIXIE'S WINE DOT, ID — White flecked with purple.....	\$1.00
DONNA H. JONES, SC — Pink with white center.....	80c
DON'S SUNRISE, IC — Blend of red with yellow .....	\$1.00
EMMA CAROLINE, FD — An outstanding clean white....	\$1.25
ESQUIRE, ID — Elegant true purple.....	\$1.00
FAITHFUL, SC — A good white .....	80c
FANNY LEVY, IC — Bright vermillion red with straw yellow reverse .....	\$1.00
FIREBALL, FD — A brilliant scarlet.....	50c
FOREST FIRE, ID — Scarlet with yellow.....	50c
FRANCES H. ARCHER, FD — Rich lavender violet.....	60c
FRIEDA GAYLORD, ID — Rosy pink with golden shadings..	\$1.50
GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING, SC — A pleasing coral and jasper red with chrome flush .....	\$1.00
GENE STRATTON PORTER, ID — A grand ruby red.....	40c
GOLD COIN, IC — Lovely light chrome yellow with faint rose suffusion at center.....	\$1.00
GOLD MINE, FD — Free Blooming, pinard yellow .....	40c
GOLDEN ECLIPSE, FD — Lovely autumn .....	40c
GOULBURN, IC — A deep lemon blending to reddish apricot at the tips of the petals.....	\$1.00
GRAND CHAMPION, StC — Clear coppery bronze.....	\$1.00

GRAY BIRD, FD — Clear yellow with edge of white.....	\$1.25
HAWKESBURY QUEEN, ID — Shaded wine red.....	\$1.00
HILLCREST SUNSET, ID — Beautiful sunset shades.....	30c
HOUGHTON GEM, ID — Creamy yellow shaded pink.....	40c
H. R. S., ID — Golden yellow.....	30c
IRENE RICH, SC — An artistic rose bengal, blended apricot with orange; lacinated petals.....	\$1.50
JOAN FERENZ, ID — Lemon, suffused rose red .....	\$1.00
JOSEPH B. LANKTREE, ID — Bright red.....	\$1.00
JOSEPH A. MCGINNIES, ID — Glowing garnet red with shadows .....	50c
KING ALFRED, ID — Ruby red with silver reverse.....	50c
KING SIZE, StS — Spectrum red on good stems.....	\$1.00
LAKESIDE ANN, SC — Gold and pink blend.....	30c
LAURA B., SC — Beautiful golden yellow at base, blending to deep strawberry red.....	\$1.00
LINK'S BLACK PRINCE, ID — Deep velvety maroon.....	\$1.25
LOVELY JEWEL, SC — A pleasing pink.....	80c
MADAME CHIANG KAI-SHEK, ID — Rose and buff blend...	50c
MADAME C. JUSSIANT, StC — Unique clear lilac-violet....	60c
MADONNA, ID — Massive, almost pure white.....	\$1.25
MAJOR VIERS, FD — Gold with peach suffusion.....	\$1.00
MAGNIFICENT, SC — Golden orange.....	\$1.00
MARGARET COLE, FD — Yellow to orange with white tips...	30c
MARILYN DALE, SC — Light roseine purple.....	\$1.00
MARION GLENN, SC — A lovely peony purple shaded garnet, serrated petals .....	\$1.00
MARS, ID — Deep rich red, petals edged gold.....	\$1.00
MARY NOBLE, FD — Phlox pink to bright mauve.....	85c
MASSASOIT, ID — A grand deep pink.....	\$1.00
MAUDE CRAWFORD, SC — A striking new light primrose yellow.....	\$1.00
MENTONE, StC — Orange, yellow blend.....	80c
MICHAEL BLACK, ID — Reddish purple.....	90c
MILGROVE, SC — A good clear pink.....	80c
MISS BAY CITY, ID — Real red, good stiff stems.....	80c
MISS CAROLINA, ID — Light lavender.....	50c
MISS CONWAY, ID — Pinkish red, white edges.....	\$1.00
MISS DORIS BRAND, FD — Unique coloring, with base of each petal gold, remainder red.....	\$1.25
MISS LIBERTY, FD — Bi-color scarlet tipped white.....	\$1.25
MISS NEWBURYPORT, ID — Large old-gold.....	75c
MISS WILGA, ID — Mauve and pink, light center.....	\$1.50
MONARCH, FD — Rich blood red.....	\$1.00
MONTEBELLO, ID — A rich orchid crimson.....	50c
MOONBIA, SC — Peach pink and gold.....	75c
MOTHER BALLEGO, StC — Bright scarlet.....	\$1.00
MRS. HESTER PAPE, ID — Big reddish purple.....	\$1.00
MRS. MINIVER, StC — A fine apple-blossom pink.....	30c
MRS. W. KEENE, ID — Primrose flushed apricot.....	40c
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PENN CHARTER, FD — Autumn shades.....	50c
PEPPERMINT CANDY, SC — White with splashes of crimson.....	60c
PINK PROFUSION, FD — Salmon-pink edged deeper pink.....	45c
POLARIS, SC — White.....	80c
PRIDE OF HOLLAND, StC — Medium pure pink.....	\$1.00
PRINCESS FRANZER, StC — Peach with delicate pink cast.....	80c
PURPLE TRIUMPH, ID — Rich violet-purple.....	\$1.00
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RETZER'S RED, StC — Dark or fuschia red.....	75c
ROCKLEY ORANGE, SC — Brilliant orange flame.....	\$1.25
ROSALIE GORDON, FD — Cyclamen pink.....	\$1.50
ROSE GLORY, FD — A lovely deep rose-pink.....	45c
ROSELYN STRAIGHT, SC — Apricot yellow.....	\$1.00
ROYCROFT, ID — Warm buff color.....	50c
RUFFLED GIANT, ID — Very fine orange buff.....	50c
RUFFLES, ID — Shell pink with ruffled petals.....	\$1.00
SALEM SUNSHINE, ID — Light lemon yellow.....	60c
SARETT'S PINK FLAMINGO, IC — A clear rose pink.....	\$1.50
SELWOOD GLORY, FD — Deep purple edged with white.....	\$1.25
SHAHRAZADE, ID — A remarkable bright pink.....	50c
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SHERWOOD'S PEACH, ID — Ocherous buff.....	50c
SKYROCKET, StC — A striking clear vermillion.....	\$1.25
SOUTHERN LEADER, IC — Bright scarlet, tipped yellow.....	\$1.00
SOUTHERN ROSE, ID — Deep bright rose pink.....	\$1.00
STALIN, IC — Bright velvety red.....	80c
ST. NICK, FD — Bi-color red and white.....	\$1.00
STUDENT PRINCE, SC — A clear bright gold.....	40c
SUNBURST, ID — Golden yellow, lightly overcast mallow-pink.....	\$1.50
SYDNEY, ID — Rose pink with tinge of gold.....	\$1.00
THE DRAGON, ID — Apricot edged lengthwise with rose.....	80c
THE GLOBE, FD — Glowing red - 4 to 5 inch bloom.....	50c
THE GOVERNOR, FD — A clear sulphur yellow.....	80c
THERESA LOUISE, SC — An exquisite begonia pink, shading lighter in the center.....	\$2.00
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THOMAS A. EDISON, FD — Fine rich purple.....	60c
TORERO, IC — Blood red with yellow edges.....	75c
VENITA, ID — A lovely light blend of carmine rose on straw yellow.....	\$2.00
VIN WELL BLUEBIRD, FD — Blue-purple color.....	50c
VIN WELL CRINKLES, ID — Orchid shading to pink tips.....	40c
VIRGINIA B. TAGGERT, FD — Light blend of pastel colors, white with fuchsine pink.....	\$1.00
WANDA MEADE, ID — Bi-color, scarlet red tipped white.....	75c
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BLOODSTONE, FD — Blood red, strong grower.....	30c
BUDDY, FD — Deep red, prolific boomer.....	50c
CORRINA, FD — Bright yellow.....	35c
COTTAGE MAID, SC — Beautiful lavender pink.....	40c
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HAZEL HARPER, StC — True pink with white centers.....	75c
IKE, FD — A beautiful blood red.....	40c
JUBILANT (Dahliadel), ID — Cherry red, inclined orange...	50c
LINDA FOSS, StC — Pink with cream shadings.....	25c
LITTLE DIAMOND, SC — Violet rose with sulfur yellow.....	60c
LITTLE INNOCENCE, FD — Fine small white with rounded petals .....	40c
LITTLE JENNIE, SC — Flesh to canary yellow, pink cast....	40c
LITTLE PEACHES, Cac. — A salmon pink.....	40c
LITTLE SHEIK, StC — Bi-color carmine and white.....	60c
MILLIE, ID — A grand white.....	75c
MRS. BLACK, SC — Petals creamy at base with rich rose at tips .....	50c
NORMA JEAN, StC — Coral pink with yellow center.....	70c
PERSIMMON, FD — A pure persimmon color.....	20c
RHODA, ID — Shrimp pink.....	30c
RITA MARIE, FD — Glistening bronze.....	40c
SANEE K, FD — A delightful raspberry red.....	50c
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